



US Army Corps  
of Engineers  
Alaska District

# Public Notice of Application for Permit

Regulatory Branch (1145)  
CEPOA-CO-R  
Post Office Box 6898  
Elmendorf AFB, Alaska 99506-0898

<b>PUBLIC NOTICE DATE:</b>	<b>16 January 2007</b>
<b>EXPIRATION DATE:</b>	<b>14 February 2007</b>
<b>REFERENCE NUMBER:</b>	<b>POA-2006-1987-2</b>
<b>WATERWAY:</b>	<b>Dutch Harbor</b>

Interested parties are hereby notified that an application has been received for a Department of the Army permit for certain work in waters of the United States as described below and shown on the attached plan.

APPLICANT: Pacific Stevedoring, Inc., 3440 Carillon Point, Kirkland, WA 98033.

AGENT: Reid Middleton, Inc., 728 134th St. SW, Everett, WA 98204, attn: Nicole Faghin, (425)741-3800 Fax: 425-741-3900.

LOCATION: The proposed project is located within section 26, T. 72 S., R. 117 W., Seward Meridian; Latitude 53.9104° N., Longitude 166.5124° W.; Dutch Harbor, Alaska.

PURPOSE: Reconstruct and expand an existing marine terminal to provide greater capacity and function and a longer useful life for the facility. The proposed structure would accommodate large fishing vessels for which the existing wharf does not provide sufficient water depth. The new facility would include a 125,000-square-foot by 50-foot-high cold storage and warehouse building.

WORK: Demolish an existing 660-foot-long pile-supported wharf and construct a new 950-foot-long sheet pile bulkhead structure. The new structure would extend offshore to a bottom elevation of approximately 40 feet below mean lower low water (-40' MLLW). Total fill material would be 125,000 cubic yards (CY), of which 110,000 would be below the extreme high tide (EHT) elevation. Area to be filled waterward of the high tide line (HTL) would be 2.94 acres.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: The applicant plans two phases of construction. Phase 1 would be located at the existing marine terminal. Phase 2 would extend the facility north to near the north end (head) of Dutch Harbor. Only Phase 1 is being reviewed for permit approval at this time.

The proposed borrow site for rock fill is on the applicant's property directly across Ballyhoo Road from the marine facility.

According to the applicant, a pile-supported structure is infeasible because of the substrate at the project location. The substrate is bedrock overlain by gravel, cobbles, and boulders. It would be difficult to install piles through the overburden and pile uplift capacities would be difficult or impossible to achieve due to variation in depth to bedrock.

MITIGATION: To mitigate project impacts to intertidal habitat, the applicant proposes to remove marine debris from Unalaska Island at locations identified by the Marine Conservation Alliance (MCA) Foundation (see Sheet 8 of the attached plan). The amount of debris removal that would be completed has not yet been determined.

WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION: A permit for the described work will not be issued until a certification or waiver of certification as required under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (Public Law 95-217), has been received from the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation.

COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT ACT CERTIFICATION: Section 307(c)(3) of the Coastal Zone, Management Act of 1972, as amended by 16 U.S.C. 1456(c)(3), requires the applicant to certify that the described activity affecting land or water uses in the Coastal Zone complies with the Alaska Coastal Management Program. A permit will not be issued until the Office of Project Management and Permitting, Department of Natural Resources has concurred with the applicant's certification.

PUBLIC HEARING: Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, reasons for holding a public hearing.

CULTURAL RESOURCES: The latest published version of the Alaska Heritage Resources Survey (AHRS) has been consulted for the presence or absence of historic properties, including those listed in or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. There are two properties in the vicinity of the worksite. They are designated UL-00055 and UL 00468. They have been determined to be outside of the project area (both approximately 300 meters). Additionally, this area is in/near the Dutch Harbor Naval Operating Base and Fort Mears, U.S. Army, National Historic District. Consultation of the AHRS constitutes the extent of cultural resource investigations by the District Engineer at this time. Any comments SHPO may have concerning presently unknown archeological or historic data that may be lost or destroyed by work under the requested permit will be considered in our final assessment of the described work.

TRIBAL CONSULTATION: The Alaska District fully supports tribal self-governance and government-to-government relations between the Federal government and Federally recognized Tribes. This notice invites participation by agencies, Tribes, and members of the public in the Federal decision-making process. In addition, Tribes with protected rights or resources that could be significantly affected by a proposed Federal action (e.g., a permit decision) have the right to consult with the Alaska District on a government-to-government basis. Views of each Tribe regarding protected rights and resources will be accorded due consideration in this process. This Public Notice serves as notification to the Tribes within the area potentially affected by the proposed work and invites their participation in the Federal decision-making process regarding the protected Tribal right or resource. Consultation may be initiated by the affected Tribe upon written request to the District Engineer during the public comment period.

ENDANGERED SPECIES: The project area is within the known or historic range of the Steller's eider. Preliminarily, the described activity will not affect threatened or endangered species, or modify their designated critical habitat, under the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (87 Stat. 844). This application is being coordinated with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service. Any comments they may have concerning endangered or threatened wildlife or plants or their critical habitat will be considered in our final assessment of the described work.

ESSENTIAL FISH HABITAT: The proposed work is being evaluated for possible effects to Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) pursuant to the Magnuson Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act of 1996 (MSFCMA), 16 U.S.C. et seq and associated federal regulations found at 50 CFR 600 Subpart K. The Alaska District includes areas of EFH as Fishery Management Plans. We have reviewed the January 20, 1999, North Pacific Fishery Management Council's Environmental Assessment to locate EFH area as identified by the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS).

We have determined that the described activity may adversely affect EFH. The proposed work may affect approximately 2.20 acres of EFH for salmon, groundfish, and crab. The species and each life stage are described in [Pacific Stevedoring Wharf Habitat Evaluation, Dutch Harbor, Alaska](#), Pentec Environmental, November 1, 2006.

This Public Notice initiates consultation requirements with the NMFS under the MSFCMA. We have insufficient information at this time to assess the cumulative effects of the proposed work on EFH, but cumulative effects will be considered in our final assessment of the described work. Any conservation recommendations regarding EFH for federally managed fish will also be considered in our final assessment of the described work. This proposed project may also adversely affect associated species such as major prey or predator species which are not covered by Fishery Management Plans.

EVALUATION: The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impacts including cumulative impacts of the proposed activity and its intended use on the public interest. Evaluation of the probable impacts, which the proposed activity may have on the public interest, requires a careful weighing of all the factors that become relevant in each particular case. The benefits, which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal, must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. The outcome of the general balancing process would determine whether to authorize a proposal, and if so, the conditions under which it will be allowed to occur. That decision should reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. All factors, which may be relevant to the proposal, must be considered including the cumulative effects thereof. Among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, cultural values, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shore erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of property ownership, and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people. For activities involving 404 discharges, a permit will be denied if the discharge that would be authorized by such permit would not comply with the Environmental Protection Agency's 404(b)(1) guidelines. Subject to the preceding sentence and any other applicable guidelines or criteria (see Sections 320.2 and 320.3), a permit will be granted unless the District Engineer determines that it would be contrary to the public interest.

The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, State, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order

to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

Comments on the described work, with the reference number, should reach this office no later than the expiration date of this Public Notice to become part of the record and be considered in the decision. Please contact Don Kuhle at (907) 753-2712, toll free from within Alaska at (800) 478-2712, or by email at [regpagemaster@poa02.usace.army.mil](mailto:regpagemaster@poa02.usace.army.mil) if further information is desired concerning this notice.

AUTHORITY: This permit will be issued or denied under the following authorities:

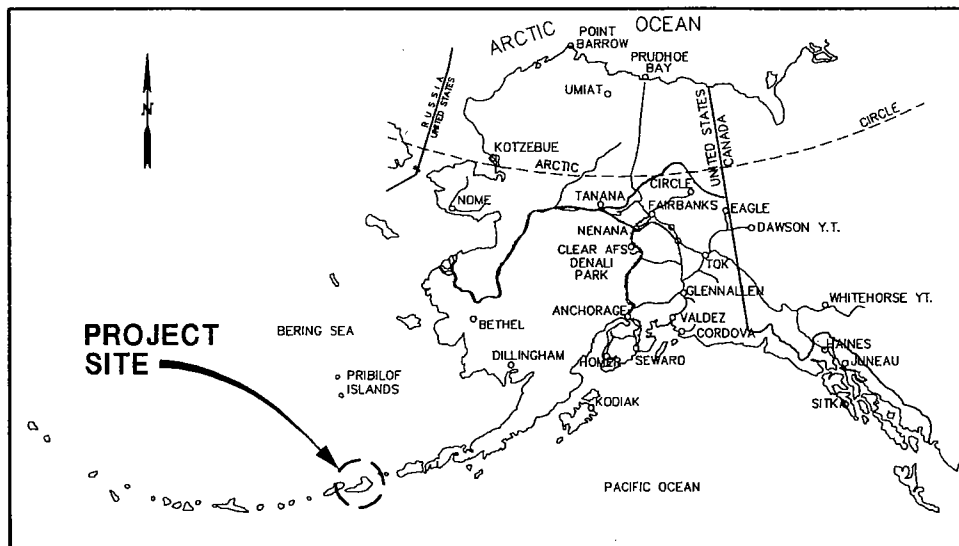
(X) Perform work in or affecting navigable waters of the United States - Section 10 Rivers and Harbors Act 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403).

(X) Discharge dredged or fill material into waters of the United States - Section 404 Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344). Therefore, our public interest review will consider the guidelines set forth under Section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act (40 CFR 230).

A plan, Notice of Application for Certification of Consistency with the Alaska Coastal Management Program, and Notice of Application for State Water Quality Certification are attached to this Public Notice.

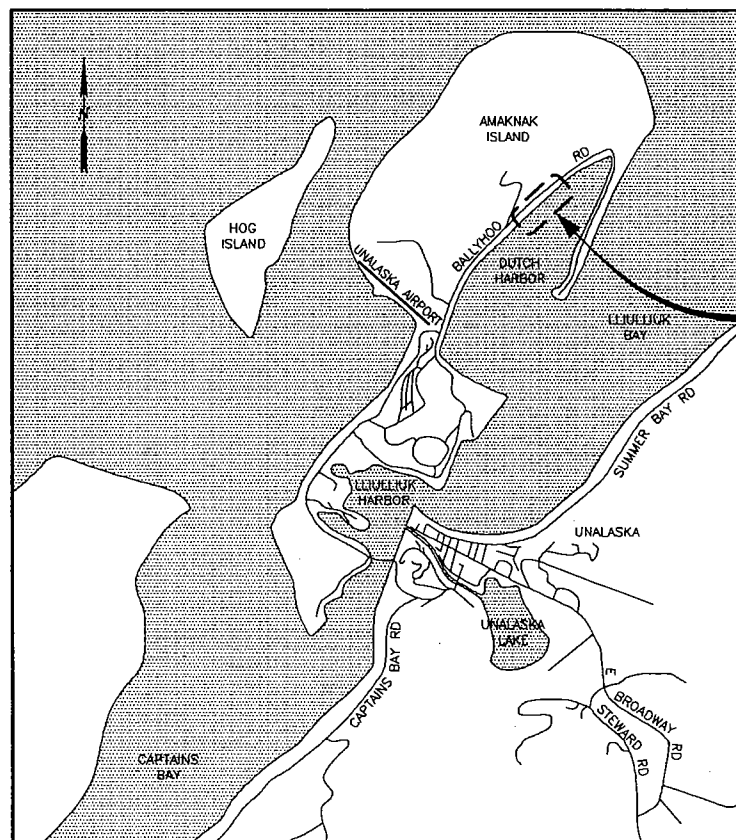
District Engineer  
U.S. Army, Corps of Engineers

Attachments



**VICINITY MAP**

NO SCALE



**LOCATION MAP**

NO SCALE

**PROJECT SITE**

**LATITUDE: 53° 54' 45" N**  
**LONGITUDE: 166° 30' 32" W**  
 (T 72 S, R 117 W, S 26 SEWARD MERIDIAN)

**PURPOSE:** EXPANSION OF EXISTING MARINE CARGO FACILITY

**DATUM:** MLLW = 0.0'

**ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNERS:**

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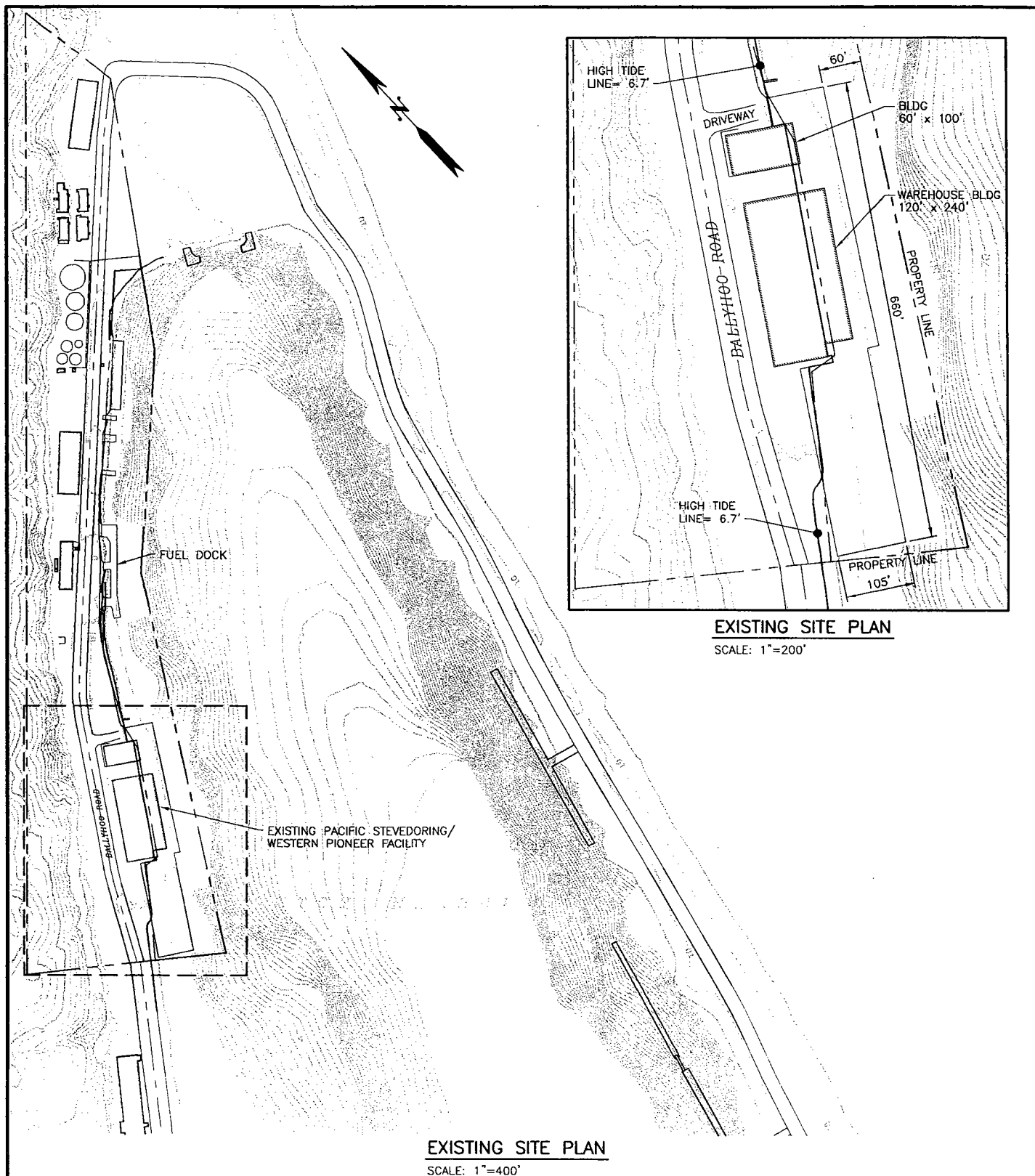
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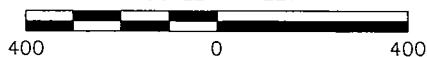
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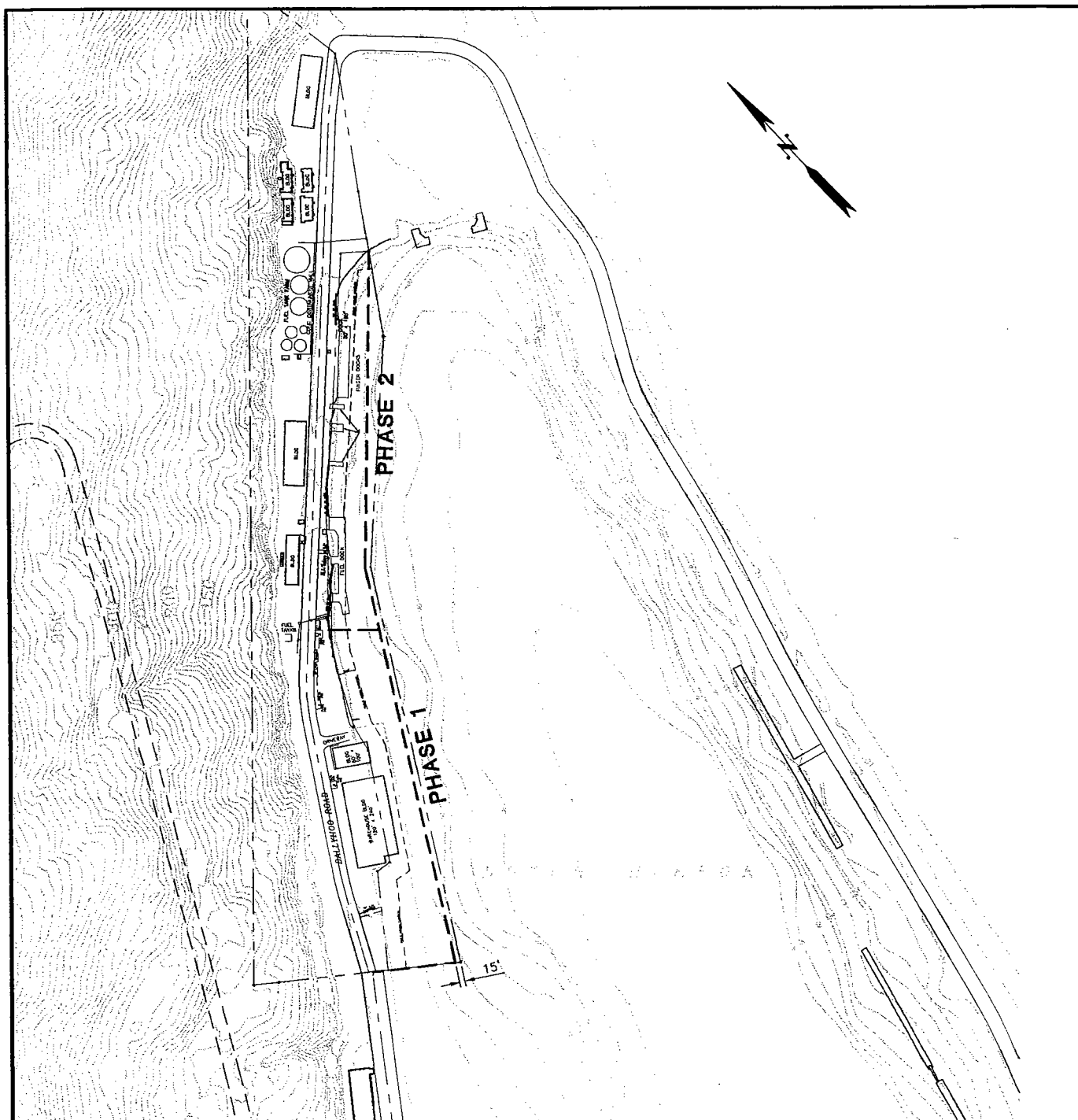
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### PHASING PLAN

SCALE: 1"=400'

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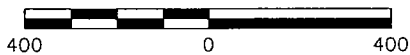
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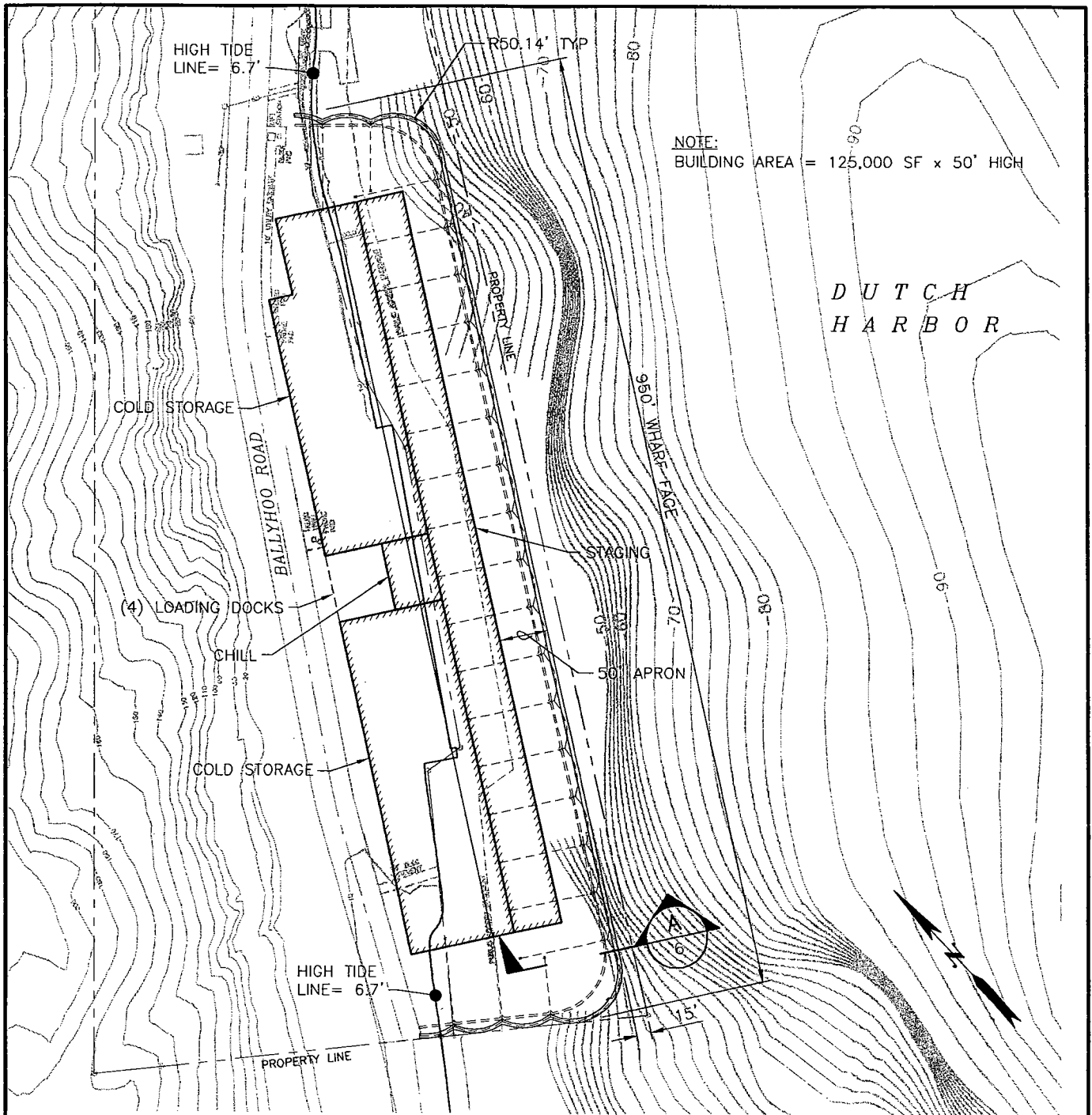
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NOTE:  
BUILDING AREA = 125,000 SF x 50' HIGH

DUTCH  
HARBOR

# **SITE PLAN - PHASE 1**

SCALE: 1"=150'

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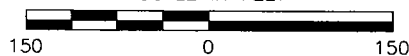
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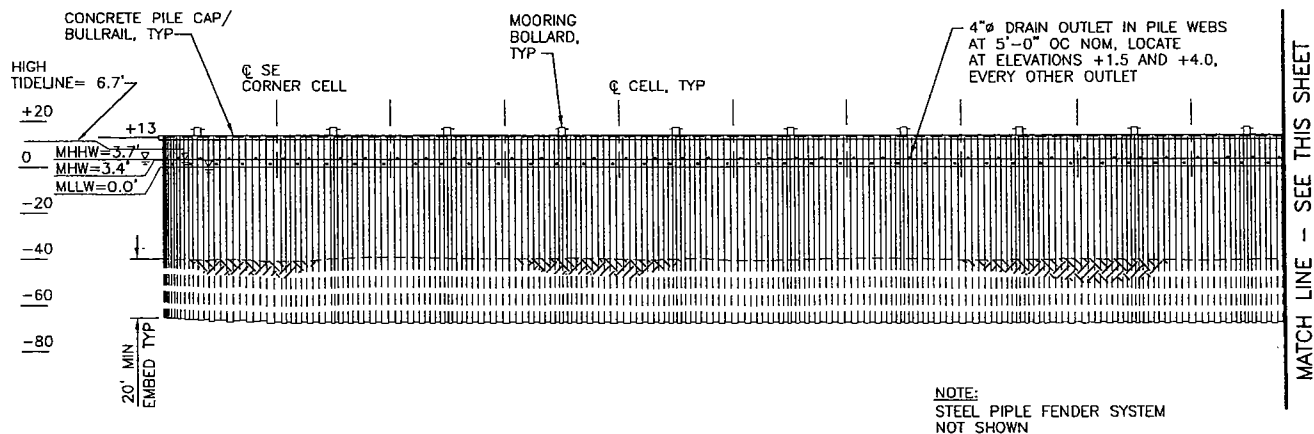


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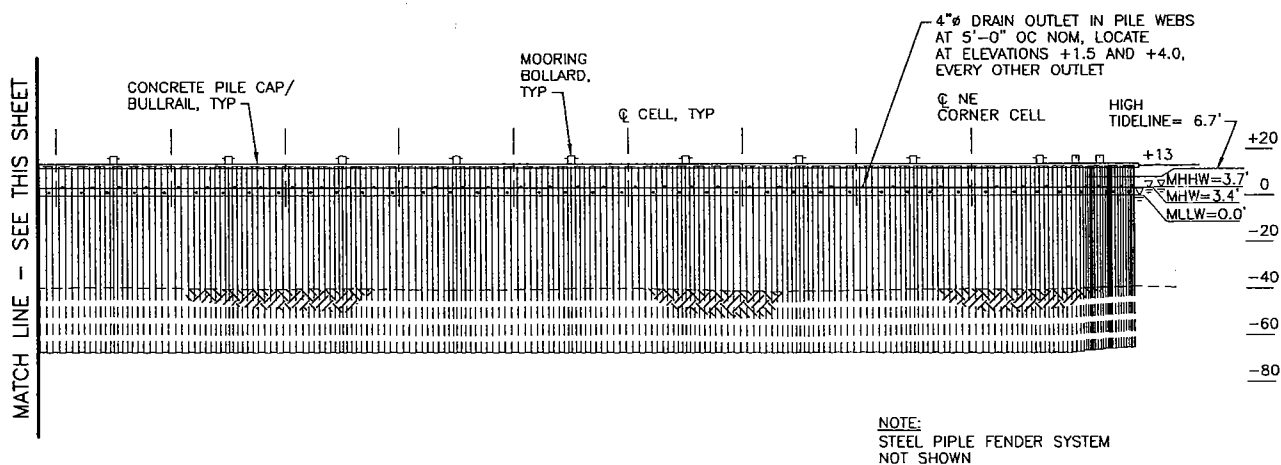
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### EAST ELEVATION-BULKHEAD

SCALE: 1"=80' (LOOKING WEST)



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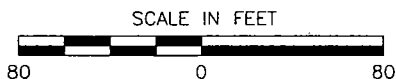
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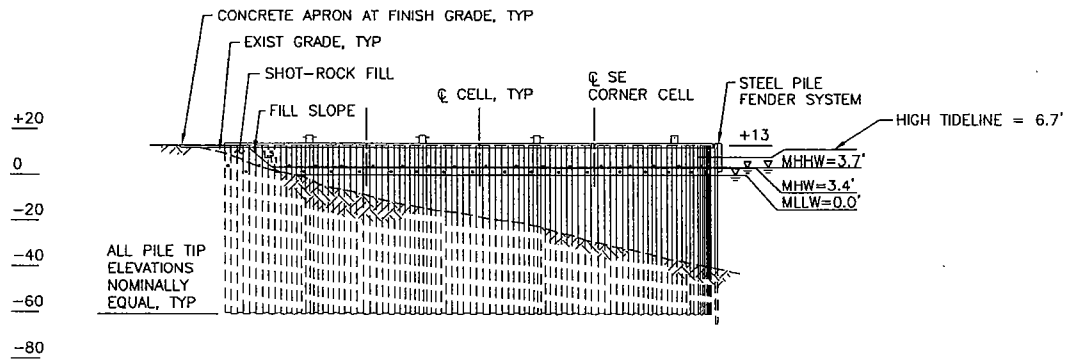
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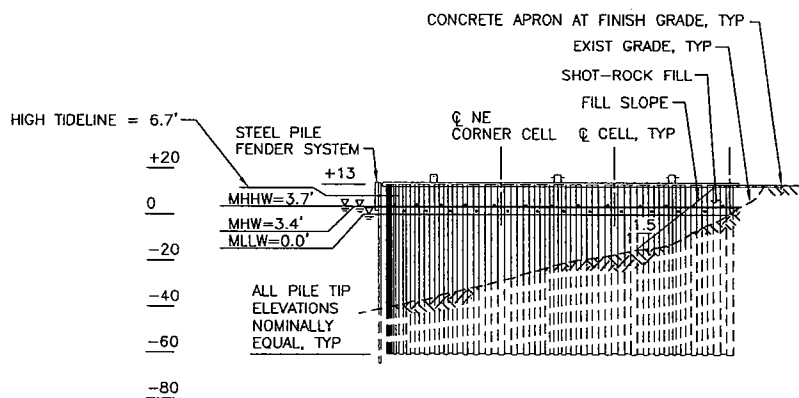
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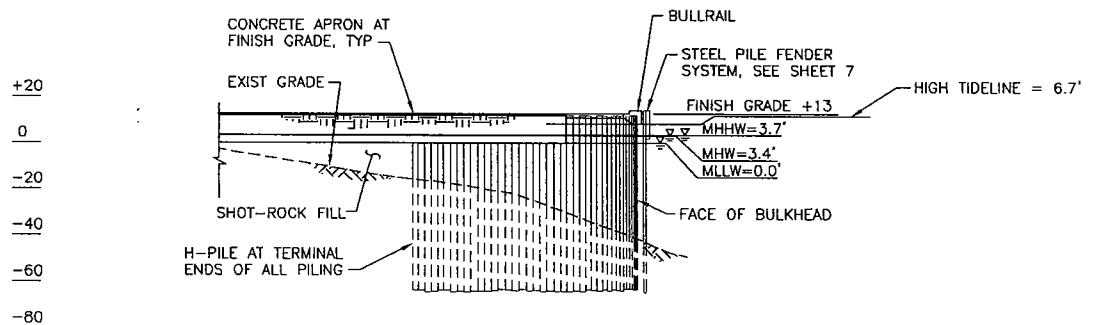
### SOUTH ELEVATION-BULKHEAD

SCALE: 1"=80' (LOOKING NORTH)



### NORTH ELEVATION-BULKHEAD

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### A BULKHEAD SECTION

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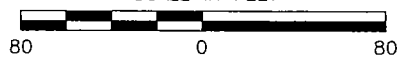
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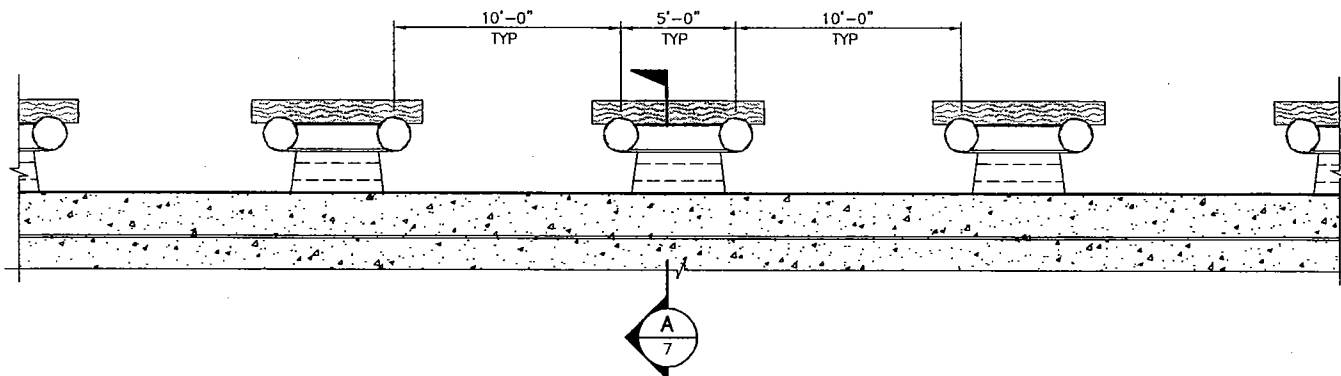


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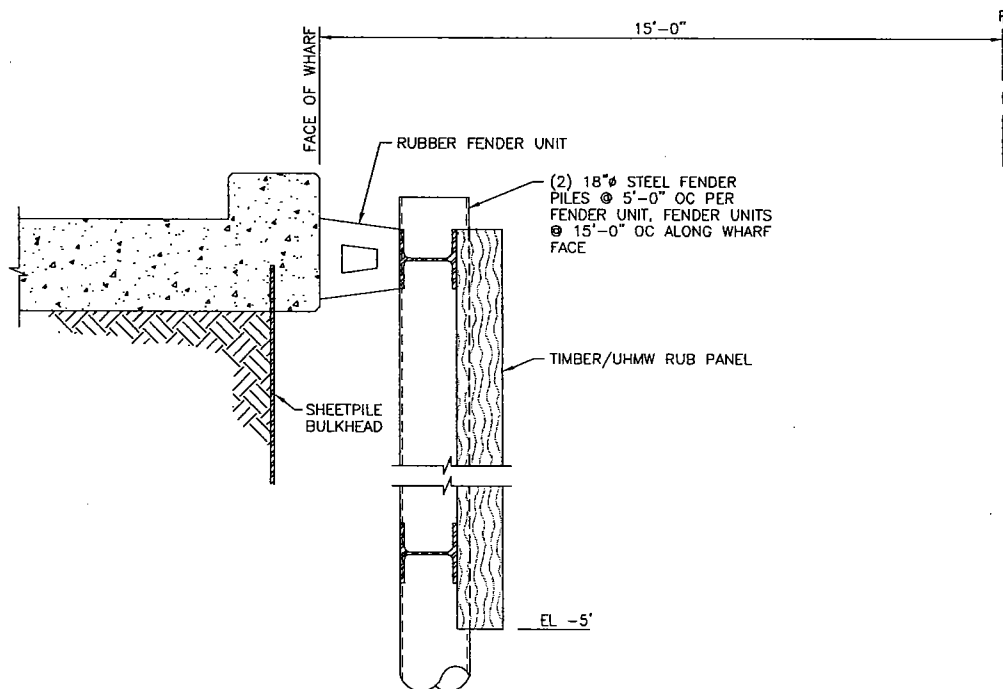
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### FENDER SYSTEM PLAN

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### A BULKHEAD SECTION

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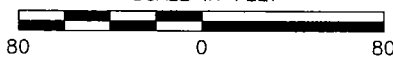
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# MCA FOUNDATION Juneau Alaska

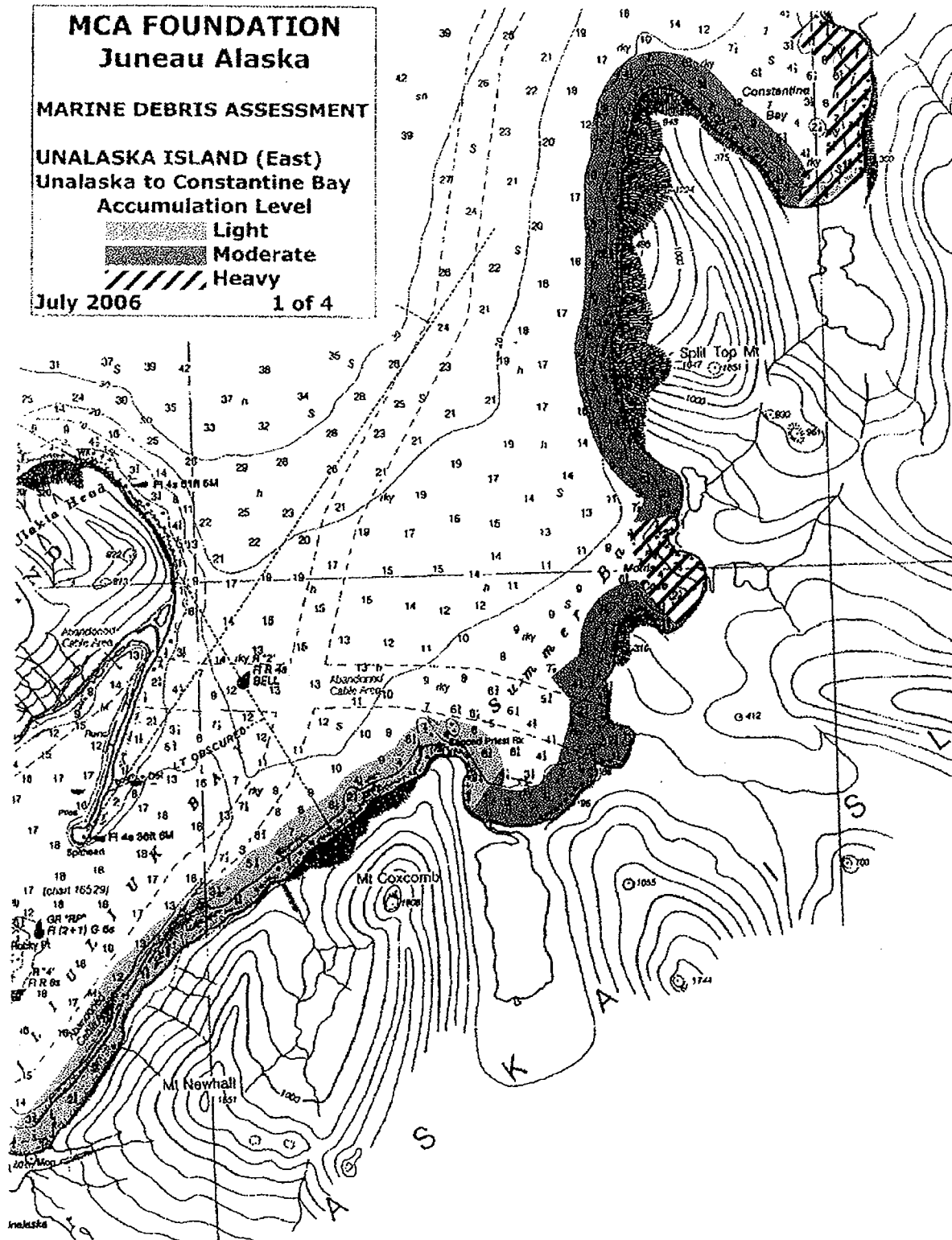
## MARINE DEBRIS ASSESSMENT

### UNALASKA ISLAND (East) Unalaska to Constantine Bay Accumulation Level

Light  
Moderate  
Heavy

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OFFICE OF PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND PERMITTING

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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA 99501-3559  
PHONE: (907) 269-7470/FAX: (907) 269-3981

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION OF CONSISTENCY WITH THE ALASKA COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Notice is hereby given that a request is being filed with the Office of Project Management and Permitting for a consistency determination, as provided in Section 307(c)(3) of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended [16 U.S.C. 1456(c)(3)], that the project described in the Corps of Engineers Public Notice No. **POA-2006-1987-2, Dutch Harbor**, will comply with the Alaska Coastal Management Program and that the project will be conducted in a manner consistent with that program.

The Office of Project Management and Permitting requests your comments, particularly on the proposed project's consistency with the affected local coastal district management program. For more information on the consistency review contact OPMP at (907) 269-7470 or (907) 465-3562, or visit the ACMP web site at <http://www.gov.state.ak.us/gdc/Projects/projects.html>.

# STATE OF ALASKA

DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

**DIVISION OF WATER**

401 Certification Program

Non-Point Source Water Pollution Control Program

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION  
FOR  
STATE WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION**

Any applicant for a federal license or permit to conduct an activity that might result in a discharge into navigable waters, in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act of 1977 (PL95-217), also must apply for and obtain certification from the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation that the discharge will comply with the Clean Water Act, the Alaska Water Quality Standards, and other applicable State laws. By agreement between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Department of Environmental Conservation, application for a Department of the Army permit to discharge dredged or fill material into navigable waters under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act also may serve as application for State Water Quality Certification.

Notice is hereby given that the application for a Department of the Army Permit described in the Corps of Engineers' Public Notice No **POA-2006-1987-2, Dutch Harbor**, serves as application for State Water Quality Certification from the Department of Environmental Conservation.

After reviewing the application, the Department may certify that there is reasonable assurance that the activity, and any discharge that might result, will comply with the Clean Water Act, the Alaska Water Quality Standards, and other applicable State laws. The Department also may deny or waive certification.

Any person desiring to comment on the project with respect to Water Quality Certification may submit written comments within 30 days of the date of the Corps of Engineer's Public Notice to:

Department of Environmental Conservation  
WQM/401 Certification  
555 Cordova Street  
Anchorage, Alaska 99501-2617  
Telephone: (907) 269-6281  
FAX: (907) 269-7508